1 JESSE S. KAPLAN CSB# 103726 5441 Fair Oaks Bl. Ste. C-1 2 Carmichael, CA 95608 (916) 488-3030 3 (916) 489-9297 fax 4 **Attorney for Plaintiff** 5 FREDERICK WARE III 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 10 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA -o0O0o-11 12 13 No. 2:21-cv-00203-AC FREDERICK WARE III, 14 15 Plaintiff, STIPULATION AND 16 PROPOSED ORDER v. APPROVING SETTLEMENT 17 Kilolo Kijakazi, ACTING OF ATTORNEY FEES UNDER 18 **COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL** THE EQUAL ACCESS TO JUSTICE ACT SECURITY, 19 [28 U.S.C. §2412(d)] Defendant. 20 21 22 THE PARTIES STIPULATE through the undersigned, subject to the approval of the 23 Court, that plaintiff be awarded attorney fees in the amount of Five Thousand Five Hundred 24 dollars (\$5,500.00) under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. §2412(d) and that there will 25 26 be no award of costs. This will represent compensation for all legal services rendered by counsel 27 for plaintiff in this civil action and in accordance with that statute. 28

Upon the Court's order, defendant will consider the assignment of those *EAJA* fees pursuant to *Astrue v. Ratliff*, 130 S.Ct. 2521, 2252-2253 (2010), considering any offsets allowed under the United States Department of Treasury's Offset Program. Fees shall be made payable to plaintiff, but if the Treasury Department determines plaintiff owes no federal debt, then the government shall pay the fees directly to Jesse S. Kaplan based on an assignment executed by plaintiff and will deliver the payment to said counsel.

This stipulation constitutes a compromise settlement of plaintiff's request for *EAJA* fees and not an admission of liability of defendant under the *EAJA*. Payment of this agreed amount shall constitute a complete release and bar of plaintiff and his counsel regarding *EAJA* fees relating to this action. This award is without prejudice to plaintiff's counsel's right to fees under 42 U.S.C. §406(b), subject to the savings clause provisions of the *EAJA*.

Dated: December 11, 2022 /s/ Jesse S. Kaplan

JESSE S. KAPLAN Attorney for Plaintiff

Dated: December 12, 2022 /s/ per email authorization

TIMOTHY R. BOLIN Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Attorney for Defendant 1 2

ORDER

GOOD CAUSE APPEARING from the foregoing stipulation, IT IS ORDERED that defendant pay plaintiff's attorney fees pursuant to the *EAJA* in accordance with this stipulation. Plaintiff's previously filed motion for *EAJA* fees is denied as moot.

DATED: December 14, 2022

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UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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